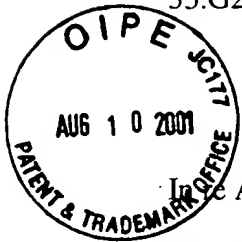


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In re Application of:

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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the to the following U.S. Application, a copy of which is enclosed:

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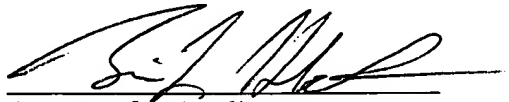
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Applicants request that the above reference be considered by the Examiner.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should be directed to our below listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

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